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EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Hailey Hart
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: _____ or None ☒
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 02/21/2018 Return: 02/23/18
b. Dates at personal expense (if any): _____ or None ☐
4. Departure city: Washington, DC Destination: Orlando, FL Return city: Washington DC
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Farm Foundation
6. Describe meetings and events attended: Met with growers, producers, and scientists to discuss citrus and speciality crop needs
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box):
a. ☒ a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
b. ☒ the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
c. ☒ page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; and
d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. (Signify that statement is true by checking box): ☒
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER: Hailey E. Hart DATE: 03/06/2018

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

NAME OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: Congressman Dennis A. Ross DATE: 03/06/2018

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: [Signature]

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. *A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.* You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Farm Foundation (Primary Trip Sponsor) and National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Foundation (Non-Grantmaking Sponsor)
2. Travel Destination(s): Orlando, FL, and surrounding central Florida area
3. Date of Departure: February 21, 2018 Date of Return: February 23, 2018
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Hailey Hart
(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)
5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$429.44	\$333.76	\$87.53	None
Accompanying Relative	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Constance Cullman

Name: Constance Cullman

Title: President

Organization: Farm Foundation

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

Address: 1301 West 22nd Street, Suite 906

Oak Brook, IL 60523

Telephone number: (630) 571-9393

Email Address: constance@farmfoundation.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. *Form (and any attachments) may be faxed to the Committee at (202) 225-7392, sent or delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth, or e-mailed to travel.requests@mail.house.gov.*

YOUR COMPLETED REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE NO LESS THAN 30 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROPOSED DEPARTURE DATE. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.

Name of Traveler: Hailey Elizabeth Hart

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may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Hailey E. Hart

Name of signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For staff, name of employing Member or committee: _____

Office address: 436 Cannon

Telephone number: 202-225-1252

Email address of contact person: hailey.hart@mail.house.gov

- ☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee:

Committee on Ethics
1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-7103 (phone)
(202) 225-7392 (fax)
Travel email: travel.requests@mail.house.gov

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1. Name of Traveler: Hailey Hart
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): The Farm Foundation and the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Foundation
3. Travel destination(s): Orlando, FL and surrounding FL area
4. a. Date of departure 02/21/2018 Date of return: 02/23/2018 AAA
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: _____
(2) Relationship to traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: ☒ Yes ☐ No
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
As the Agriculture LA for Congressman Ross seeing the various farms and meeting with growers and producers in our district will be a great learning experience.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? ☐ Yes ☒ No

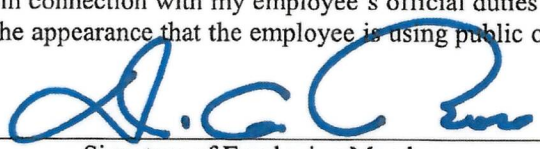
10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:**

TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: 01/19/2018


Signature of Employing Member

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): _____
Farm Foundation
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒
3. Check only one: I represent that:
 - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip ☒ *or*
 - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds ☐ *or*
 - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities. ☐If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):
See separate list, attached
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
6. Date of departure: February 21, 2018 Date of return: February 23, 2018
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC
b. Destination(s): Orlando, FL, and surrounding central Florida area
c. City of return: Washington, DC
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: ☐ *or*
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: ☒ *or*
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations. ☐
9. Check one of the following:
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above: ☒
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging: ☐
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: ☐ *or*
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights: ☐If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box): ☒

11. Check one:

- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒ or
b. N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐

12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

Farm Foundation is the primary sponsor for this trip; the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Foundation (NASDAF) is a non-grantmaking sponsor on this trip (see separate form). Both Farm Foundation and NASDAF are non-partisan, non-profit 501(c)(3)s dedicated to food and agriculture education and research. Farm Foundation provided general funding and in-kind staff support in developing the agenda and inviting staff. NASDAF has provided in-kind staff support in sending out invitations and helping to coordinate the schedule.

13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.

- a. Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☒ Car ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: _____)
b. Class of travel: Coach ☒ Business ☐ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: _____)
c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

A chartered passenger bus will be used to safely and economically transport the group while in central Florida. Travel times are included in the attached agenda.

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒

15. I represent that either (check one of the following):

- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: ☐ or
b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation: ☒

If "b" is checked:

1) Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
\$39 per person per day

2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____

To highlight and showcase several topics and issues of interest to congressional staff focused on agricultural issues, including food production and food waste; invasive pests, pest management, and their challenges, like citrus greening; and the diversity of agricultural production, especially in central Florida, with beef, fruit, and vegetable production.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel name: Hampton Inn Winter Haven City: Winter Haven, FL Cost per night: \$167.00

Reason(s) for selecting: Lowest cost for reasonable hotel in the tour area (\$149/night + tax)

Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____

Reason(s) for selecting: _____

Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____

Reason(s) for selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$400 (flight + bus)	\$334 (2 nights+tax)	\$100 (lunches & din
For each accompanying relative	\$0	\$0	\$0

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$0	Should not be any other expenses
For each accompanying relative	\$0	\$0

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19. Check one:
a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. ☒ or
b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐
20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip. ☒
21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Constance Cullman
Name: Constance Cullman
Title: President
Organization: Farm Foundation
Address: 1301 West 22nd Street, Suite 906, Oak Brook, IL 60523
Telephone number: (630) 571-9393
Email address: constance@farmfoundation.org

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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NON-GRANTMAKING TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by a private individual or entity that provides funds, services, or in-kind donations to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. A Non-Grantmaking Sponsor that has a direct involvement in planning, organizing, conducting, or participating in the trip must complete this form. **Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.**

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Name of your organization: National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Foundation (NASDAF)
2. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Farm Foundation
3. My organization has provided funds to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor to pay all or part of the expenses for a trip to (destination) Central Florida
on (date) February 21-23, 2018 that primarily is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. My organization has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, arranging, or will have a role in conducting, the trip identified in response to Question 3 or an event that will occur during that trip. ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. Check one:
 - a. ☒ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent *or*
 - b. ☐ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
6. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip. ☒
7. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Lisa Benson

Name: Lisa Benson Title: Executive Director

Organization: National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Foundation

Address: 4350 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 910, Arlington, VA 22203

Telephone number: (202) 296-9680

Email Address: lisa@nasda.org

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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Ms. Hailey Hart
Office of the Honorable Dennis Ross
436 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Hart:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Orlando, Florida, scheduled for February 21 to 23, 2018, sponsored by the Farm Foundation and the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Foundation.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Susan W. Brooks
Chairwoman

Theodore E. Deutch
Ranking Member

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**Farm Foundation and
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) Foundation
Farm and Field Congressional Fellowship Program
February 2018 Tour – Central Florida
February 21-23, 2018**

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

- Morning Arrive in Orlando, FL (Orlando International Airport/MCO)
 Flight Option #1 – Southwest #159, DCA-MCO, 6:00am-8:25am
 Flight Option #2 – American #1593, DCA-MCO, 7:23am-9:55am
 Flight Option #3 – American #1519, DCA-MCO, 8:50am-11:28am
- 11:30 am Meet at Disney Store in Main Terminal, Level 3, Orlando International Airport
- 11:45 am Depart MCO for Publix Super Markets Refrigerated Warehouse
 1 Jeff Faqua Boulevard, Orlando, FL – 7350 Hazeltine National Drive, Orlando, FL

Tour Topic 1: Food Waste and Sustainability

Up to 40 percent of the food in the United States is never eaten; at the same time, one in eight Americans struggles to put enough food on the table. Tackling the challenges of food waste and sustainability will become even more important as the American agriculture sector works to feed a growing global population.

- 12:00 pm Buffet Lunch
 Publix Super Markets Buffet
- 12:30 pm **The Challenges of Food Waste and Food Safety**
 Speakers: Bill Pelham, Publix Supermarkets Distribution Center Manager
 Publix Supermarkets Refrigerated Warehouse
- 3:30 pm Depart Publix for Lightsey Cattle Ranch
 7350 Hazeltine National Drive, Orlando, FL – 1401 Sam Keen Road, Lake Wales, FL

Tour Topic 2: Florida's Diverse Agriculture

Agriculture is a vital part of the Florida economy. In 2015, Florida had 47,300 commercial farms and ranches, using a total of 9.45 million acres. Florida ranked first in production value for oranges, fresh tomatoes, watermelons, grapefruit, sugarcane, fresh snap beans and fresh cucumbers; second for value of vegetable production; second in the production of greenhouse and nursery products, bell peppers, strawberries, fresh sweet corn, spring potatoes, peanuts, tangerines and avocados; and accounted for 56 percent of U.S. citrus production. We'll see first-hand how some of these production systems operate in Florida.

- 5:00 pm **Florida Agriculture: Showcasing the Diversity with Beef Production**
 Speaker: Cary Lightsey, Lightsey Cattle Ranch
 Lightsey Cattle Ranch

- 6:00 pm Dinner
On the Ranch: Florida Beef Producers' Issues and Priorities
 Speakers: Cary Lightsey, Rancher; Dusty Holley, Florida Cattlemen's Association; and Jim Handley, Florida Cattlemen's Association
Lightsey Cattle Ranch
- 8:00 pm Depart Lightsey Cattle Ranch for Hotel
 1401 Sam Keen Road, Lake Wales, FL – 202 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven, FL
- 9:00 pm Check into Hotel
Hampton Inn Winter Haven

Thursday, February 22, 2018

- 7:30 am Breakfast on your own (included in hotel)
Hampton Inn Winter Haven
- 8:00 am Depart Hotel for UF/IFAS
 202 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven, FL – 700 Experiment Station Road, Lake Alfred, FL

Tour Topic 3: Invasive Pests and Citrus Greening

Today, a pivotal chapter in Florida citrus history is unfolding, as citrus growers struggle with a bacterial disease called citrus greening. Although scientists have made many advances in detecting and managing infections, citrus greening has spread throughout Florida's citrus-growing regions. Consequently, production has declined dramatically over the past decade, threatening citrus growers and the communities that rely on them. We'll examine the causes, the impacts and implications, and what is being done to address the alarming spread of this disease.

- 8:30 am **Citrus Greening: The Opportunities Brought by Research**
 Speakers: Dr. Michael Rogers, Center Director, with Dr. Arnold Schumann (growing citrus under protective screens), Dr. Lukasz Stelinski (psyllid biology and control), Dr. Kirsten Pelz-Stelinski (disrupting the ability of insects to spread disease), Dr. Fred Gmitter (citrus breeding and new variety development, and Dr. Nian Wang (gene editing of citrus using CRISPR technology)
University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) Citrus Research and Education Center
- 10:00 am Depart UF/IFAS for FDACS
 700 Experiment Station Road, Lake Alfred, FL – 8020 Lake Mabel Loop Road, Dundee, FL
- 10:30 am **Parasites: The Challenges of Citrus Greening and Beyond**
 Speaker: Dr. Trevor Smith and Dr. Greg Hodges, FDACS Division of Plant Industry
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) Dundee Biological Control Laboratory
- 11:30 pm Depart FDACS for Florida's Natural
 8020 Lake Mabel Loop Road, Dundee, FL – 20160 US-27, Lake Wales, FL

- 11:45 pm Video Presentation: The Grove House
Florida's Natural Grove House Visitor Center
- 12:15 pm Lunch
Overview of Florida Citrus Production and Use
Speaker: Bob Behr, Florida's Natural CEO, and Dave Crumbly, Florida's Natural Vice President of Agricultural Services
Florida's Natural Grove House Visitor Center
- 12:45 pm Depart Florida's Natural Visitor Center for Processing Facility
20160 US-27, Lake Wales, FL – 20205 US-27, Lake Wales, FL
- 1:00 pm **Citrus Processing: Tour Florida's Natural Processing Facility**
Florida's Natural Processing Facility
- 2:30 pm Depart Processing Facility for Citrus Farm
20205 US-27, Lake Wales, FL – 2404 Hunt Brothers Road, Lake Wales, FL
- 2:45 pm **Citrus Greening: The Challenges in the Grove**
Speaker: Ellis Hunt, Hunt Brothers Citrus
Hunt Brothers Citrus
- 3:30 pm Depart Citrus Grove for Strawberry Farm
20205 US-27, Lake Wales, FL – 13138 Lewis Gallagher Road, Dover, FL
- 5:00 pm **Florida Agriculture: Showcasing the Diversity with Strawberry Production**
Speakers: Kenneth Parker, Florida Strawberry Growers Association; Dr. Vance Whitacre, UF/IFAS strawberry plant breeder; and Dr. Joe Noling, UF/IFAS nematologist
Florida Strawberry Growers Association
- 6:00pm Depart Strawberry Farm for Dinner
13138 Lewis Gallagher Road, Dover, FL – 101 North Kentucky Avenue, Lakeland, FL
- 6:30 pm Dinner
Speaker: Matt Joyner, FDACS Deputy Chief of Staff
The Impacts of International Trade on Central Florida Agriculture
Speakers: Jay Sizemore, Sizemore Farms and strawberry grower/shipper; Mike Stuart, Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association; and John-Walt Boatright, Florida Farm Bureau
Harry's Seafood
- 8:30 pm Depart Dinner for Hotel
101 North Kentucky Avenue, Lakeland, FL – 202 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven, FL
- 9:00 pm Return to Hotel
Hampton Inn Winter Haven

Friday, February 23, 2018

- 7:45 am Breakfast on your own (included in hotel) and hotel check-out
Hampton Inn Winter Haven
- 8:00 am Depart Hotel for Southern Hill Farms
202 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven, FL – 16651 Schofield Rd, Clermont, FL
- 9:00 am **Florida Agriculture: Showcasing the Diversity with Blueberry Production**
Speaker: David and Lisa Hill, Southern Hill Farms
Southern Hill Farms
- 10:00 am Brunch
The Food Safety Modernization Act: Challenges of Produce Safety, Preventive Control and Other Rule Implementation
Speakers: David Hill, Southern Hill Farms; Martha Roberts, Roberts Associates; Sydney Stone and Carrie Porterfield, FDACS
Southern Hill Farms
- 11:15 am Depart Southern Hill Farms for MCO
16651 Schofield Rd, Clermont, FL – 1 Jeff Faqua Boulevard, Orlando, FL
- 12:00 pm Depart Orlando, FL (Orlando International Airport/MCO)
Flight Option #1 – Southwest #580, MCO-DCA, 1:45pm-3:55pm
Flight Option #2 – American #1819, MCO-DCA, 2:44pm-4:59pm
Flight Option #3 – American #1594, MCO-DCA, 4:44pm-7:00pm
Flight Option #4 – American #1816, MCO-DCA, 9:30pm-11:35pm